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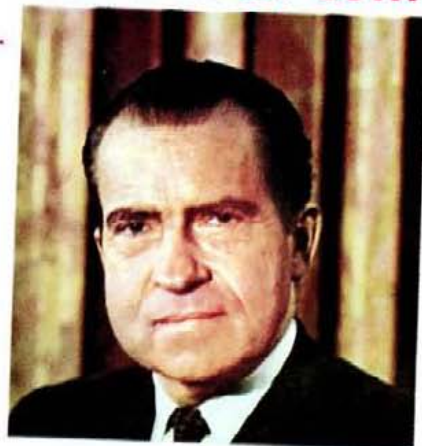
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OUR VERSION OF**

"Joe"

Norman M. ...



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THE ONE IN '68...**



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BIGGER ONE IN '72!**

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IT
ALL
HANG
UP!**

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16**

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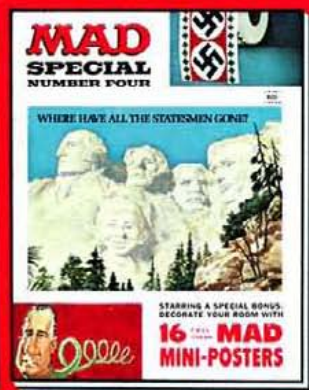
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MENTAL
ILLNESS**



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THE WEATHERMEN**

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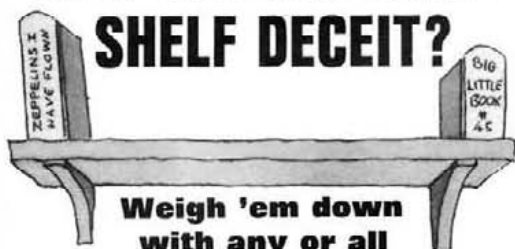
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BLOWING THEIR STACKS

Your article "MAD Salutes The Output Of American Industry" was about as reassuring as an earthquake during open-heart surgery!

Eric Olsen
San Pedro, Calif.

Thanks for giving American Industry's criminal negligence a kick in the pants!
Vic Ghidalia
Yonkers, N.Y.

VIOLENT TV COMMERCIALS

If they put your "Violent TV Commercials" on the air they wouldn't sell anything. But it would be an improvement!
Chris Collins
Mill Valley, Calif.

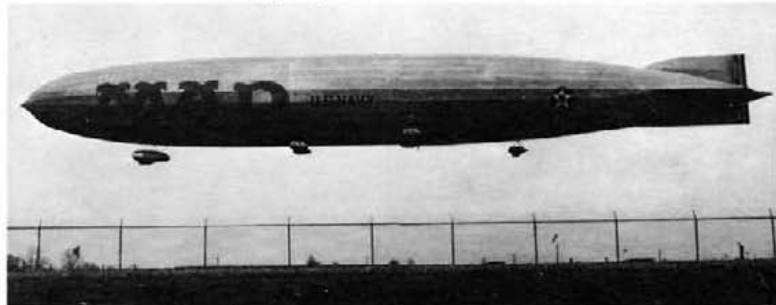
"Violent TV Commercials" was a scream. And that's just what I did when I read it!

Matthew Bird
Flushing, N.Y.

NAVY LAKEHURST SALUTE

Your readers may be interested in knowing that Navy Lakehurst's 50th Anniversary Celebration will occur on June 26-27, 1971. What should particularly delight your readers is a 30 foot radio-controlled flying replica of the famous airship, SHENANDOAH, which will fly about the area, with two huge MADs adorning its sides. I enclose a photo of this ship in flight at Columbus, Ohio, where its construction had just been completed by Lew Gray, of that city. Amongst the other attractions will be the Shooting Stars (Parachute Demonstration Team), the Navy Blue Angels (Aerial Flight Demo Team), Hot Air Balloons, the Goodyear Blimp, and many renowned air daredevil acts.

J.S. Roth
Captain, USN



It's a bird . . . it's a plane . . . it's the MAD ZEPPELIN!

WEST COAST STORY

Your article "West Coast Story" was revolting, repulsive, degenerate and noxious. An accurate estimation of "extremist freaks."

Jack Hensley
Modesto, Calif.

Regarding "West Coast Story," the Left Movement (in general) considers violence as means to a just end. And, since the apathy of the public ignores peaceful revolution, and the government all but makes it impossible, violence is becoming more and more of a reality. Mainly, because it's the only medium any one seems to understand. But thank you for pointing out the moronic insensitivity of the Mass Media. All they see (and show) is the blood...

Nancy Barton
Los Angeles, Calif.

A brilliant revelation, showing the struggle for what it really is; a power clash, resulting from mutual intolerance, where both sides engage in tactics they publicly deplore in each other. Really heavy. Thanks.

Ellen Smith
Shimer College, Ill.

HEAVEN-SENT ANSWERS

I think Dick De Bartolo and Donald K. Epstein were angels to help God catch up with His paper work. "Answers To Children's Letters—From God" was . . . er . . . very CREATIVE.

Frank Judge
Grosse Pointe Park
Michigan

I want you to know that I once wrote a letter to God in Heaven and it was returned marked "Unknown At This Address."

Arnold Greenstine
Philadelphia, Pa.

The Zip Code is . . . 00000!—Ed.

"OUT OF ORDER" COVER

I thought your "This Country Is Out Of Order" cover was truly right on! Even up here in Canada we can see the problems.

John Kipky
Prince George, B.C.
Canada

COMMUNISM REVISITED

Cheers for "Communism Revisited"! Not only did you shoot down your own cover theme by bringing out such a fine article, but you showed with the greatest clarity what each side was all about.

Steven Haley
Peterborough, Ont.
Canada

As a college student who is constantly bombarded with the advantages of Communism and "the Revolution," it was a relief to read Max Brandel's article exposing Communism and all its hypocrisy. Thanks for turning me on.

Drew Hegeman
University Park, Pa.

Brandel sees through (as in all of his articles) the hypocrisy of those "Eternal Truths." "Communism Revisited" is a brilliantly conceived article.

John S. Thomas
Winchester, Va.

Make sure the Kremlin and Mao get their copies soon!

Peter Sprigg
Berwyn, Pa.

You could have balanced it out with some quotes of *our* politicians like "equality" and "freedom."

(No name given)
Lynbrook, N.Y.

WHAT IS A PARENT?

I was amazed at "What Is A Parent?" Almost every example was true for me. When did Tom Koch, the writer, meet my parents?

Ann Cardillo
Providence, R.I.

"What Is A Parent?" was uncouth, underhanded, disrespectful, and one of the best articles you've done in ages!

Stephen Eisenbaugh
Manassas, Va.

My Mom suggested you do one on kids!

Diane Emmons
Glendale, Calif.

We wonder if we'll have to do much of a re-write on this same article, twenty years from now.—Ed.

MY THREE SONNY BOYS

Your satire of "My Three Sons" was great. Angelo Torres and Arnie Kogen did an excellent job. The funniest part is, it sounded like the real show!

Mark Houlton
Worcester, Mass.

... it tickled my Sonnybone!

Tony Wolff
Philadelphia, Pa.

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HIPPIE HUNTING GROUND DEPT.

A few issues back (MAD #140 to be exact!), we presented a MAD movie called "PUT★ON." It was about one of the roughest, toughest, foul-mouthed characters who ever lived. Well, you may not believe this, but "PUT★ON" was a "pussycat" when stacked up alongside the hero of this issue's MAD movie! Say "Hello!" to a guy named...

shmm

But before we introduce you to this middle-aged hard-hat, first you gotta

Hi! My name is Melistless Compost! I'm a typical, normal level-headed teenage girl who has left her two adoring parents and a Park Avenue life of wealth and affluence to find meaningful answers to life... and to achieve total fulfillment with the man of my dreams!



Hi! I'm the man of her dreams!

Listen, when you're on what I'm on... these are the dreams, folks!



ARTIST: MORT DRUCKER

WRITER: LARRY SIEGEL

I'm worried, Hank! Popping pills is one thing... but you start taking baths and the next thing you know, you'll be on the hard stuff, like deodorant and cologne!!

Don't worry! I can handle it! I know when to stop!



Surprise, Hank! Look what I got you for your birthday!

Melistless! You shouldn't have! Wow! A monogrammed needle and a matching rubber hose! It must've cost you a fortune!

It wasn't very much! Our family pusher is having a Pre-Halloween Clearance Sale!

Gee, Melistless, you're so good to me! I guess I'm just about the luckiest freak in the world!



noe

meet a couple of teen-aged soft-heads...



I'm Bull Compost, the wealthy Park Avenue advertising executive!
Where's my spoiled daughter, Melistless?

She just flew out of town for a fix!

Where'd she fly to?

Brooklyn!

Don't give me that! Planes don't fly from New York to Brooklyn!!

Who said anything about PLANES?!

The weather is terrible! This is no night for flying!

It sure ain't! Right now, there are thirty freaked-out Yippies stacked up over The Brooklyn Bridge!

You—you're destroying my daughter! I ought to KILL you!!

DEATH?! Gee, I don't know if I dig that kick! O.K. I'll try it!

What do you mean, you'll try it?

Man, I'll try ANYTHING once!!

I say we grab all the *%&%\$# Blacks and all the *%&%\$# Jews and all the *%&%\$# Catholics and Protestants and line 'em up against a wall 'n kick 'em in the *%&%\$#@ and teach 'em a thing or two!

What do you wanna teach 'em, Shmoe?

For one thing ... tolerance!

YEAH!

YEAH!

AMEN!

GET OUT OF THIS COUNTRY ALL YOU *%\$# BLACK, JEWISH, CATHOLIC, PROTESTANT COMMIE PERVERTS! GET LOST, ALL YOU *%\$# MORMONS! GO BACK WHERE YOU CAME FROM, ALL YOU *%\$# INDIANS! GET OUT, ALL YOU *%\$# PINKO LIBERAL TRAITORS!!

Shmoe, before you break my eardrums, tell me... who do you speak for?

THE SILENT MAJORITY!!



And those *&e%\$= Hippies! Boy, would I like to kill me a *&e%\$= Hippie!!

I just killed one!

YOU ... KILLED A HIPPIE?!!



Yes! He was ruining my little girl, so I killed him!

That ... parasite! What did he know about life? Before I killed him, I tried to explain how my generation had to work for what we wanted, not sponge off others! How we used to walk miles to school when we were kids! How we had to fight our way up the ladder of success to get where we were today! How we had to sweat and strain and ...

What'd you do? Shoot him? Knife him?

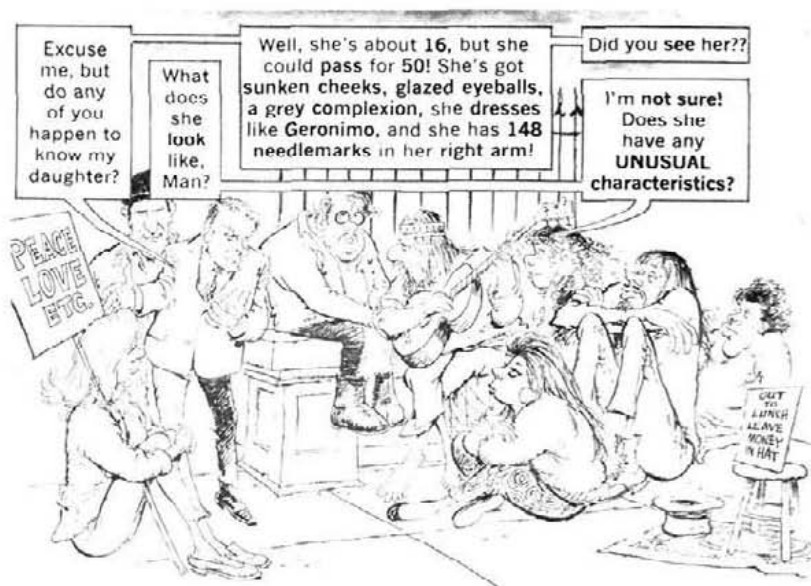
No ... actually I just bored him to death!!



Listen, Compost! I admire you! I like what you did to that Hippie! What do you say we become friends, and I'll help you find your daughter!

Me?! Become YOUR FRIEND?! Why ... you're nothing but an uncouth animal! You've got a bloated beer belly and you smell terrible!!

Look, I TOLD you I like you! You don't have to butter me up!!



Excuse me, but do any of you happen to know my daughter?

What does she look like, Man?

Well, she's about 16, but she could pass for 50! She's got sunken cheeks, glazed eyeballs, a grey complexion, she dresses like Geronimo, and she has 148 needlemarks in her right arm!

Did you see her??

I'm not sure! Does she have any UNUSUAL characteristics?



I don't see her in this place?

Hey! What's going on here?

It's called an "Orgy"! A group of Hippies smoke some pot ...

Just once, I'd like to crack down on those *&e%\$= commies!

... and they listen to freaky music ...

Just once, I'd like to teach them some Americanism!

... and they engage in all sorts of wild, bizarre sex acts!

Just once, I'd like to be a Hippie!



Hi, Honey!
I'm home! I
brought you
something!

Whadya
bring
me?

A bag
of
garbage!

Shmoe!! You
remembered
our Wedding
Anniversary!!



What's new, Honey?

Le'me see! Mrs.
Ferguson tripped
over a rat on her
front step and
broke her leg!

The Hogan
family got
drunk again
and passed
out on the
sidewalk!

The Board
of Health
condemned
14 houses
on our
street!

And... oh,
yes! A Negro
family is
moving in
down the
block!

A NEGRO
FAMILY!!
Oh, no!!
Well...
there
goes the
neighborhood!



The
doorbell!
Who
could
that
be...?

A couple of
Park Avenue
swells I
invited to
dinner!

Why didn't you
tell me we were
having company?!
I didn't set my
hair today!!

How come?! The waffle
iron broken again?!
Well, don't worry!
You take care of 'em
while I go inside
and dirty up a bit!



Hi,
there,
Park
Avenue
swells!

Bull, I think
I'm going to
get violently
ill!

Control yourself!
This is the HIGH
SPOT of the
evening! Wait till
you meet SHMOE!!



Where
is your
wife, Mr.
Compost?

She went
inside to
freshen up!

Has she
met Shmoe
yet?

EEEEEEK!!

I think
she
just
did!

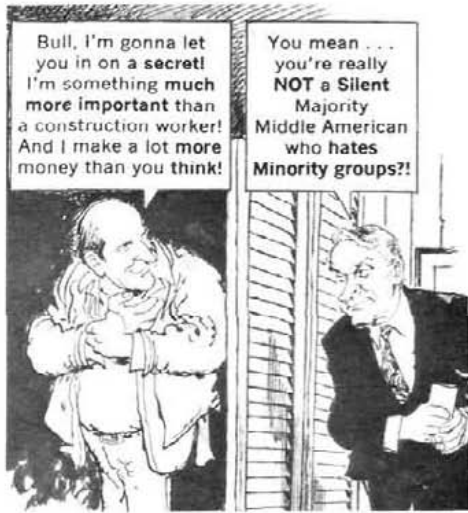
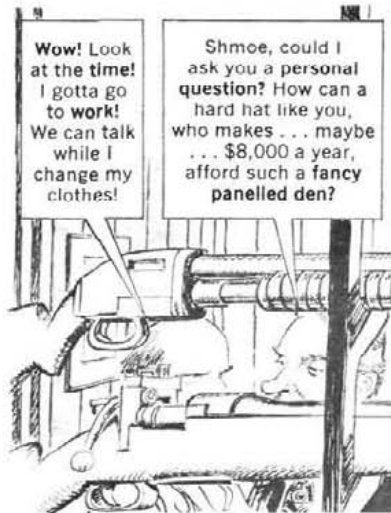


BURP!
Shmoe...!
Your table
manners!!

I'm sorry! I
always forget!
I should belch
AFTER I pick
my teeth!

Bull, I think
I'm going to
throw up
all over the
table!

Go ahead!
THEY'LL
never
know the
difference!



WHERE THERE'S SMOKE, THERE'S IRE DEPT.

Here we go with another MAD "Hate Book" ... those little gems calculated to make MAD readers feel better by blowing off steam about their pet hates. Since non-smokers are the most intolerant people in the world when it comes to smokers, all of you smokers

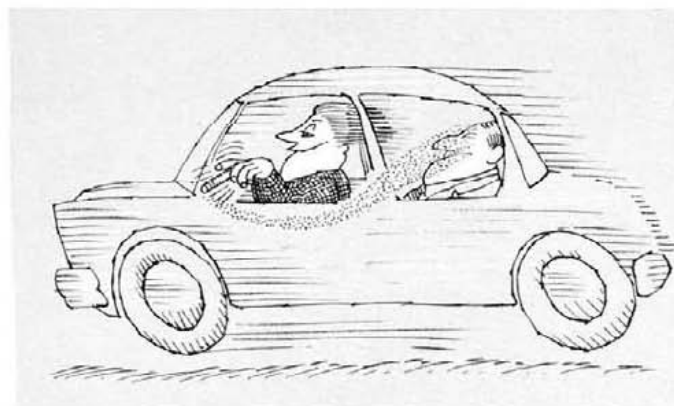
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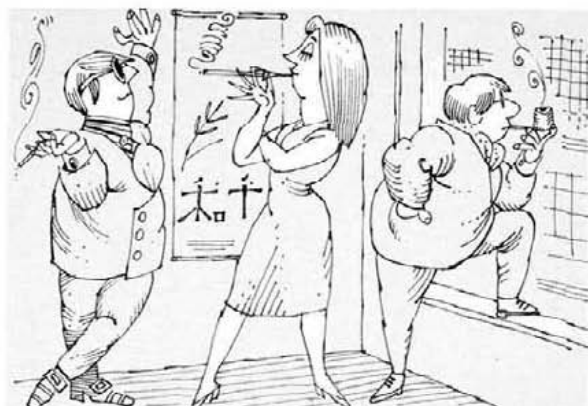
Don't you hate smokers who ...
... put out butts in dishes of food while you're still eating!



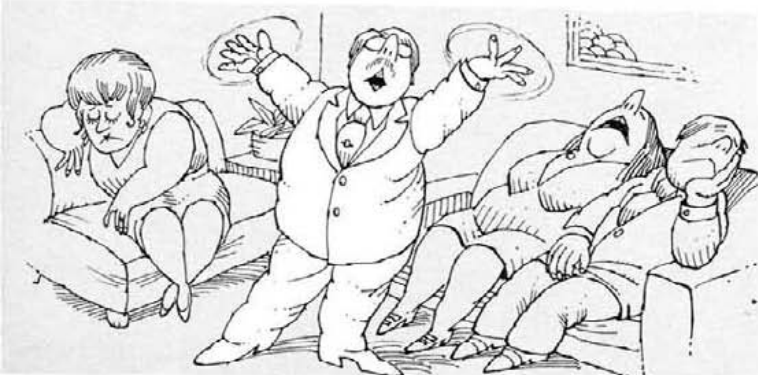
Don't you hate smokers who ...
... smoke while they cook!



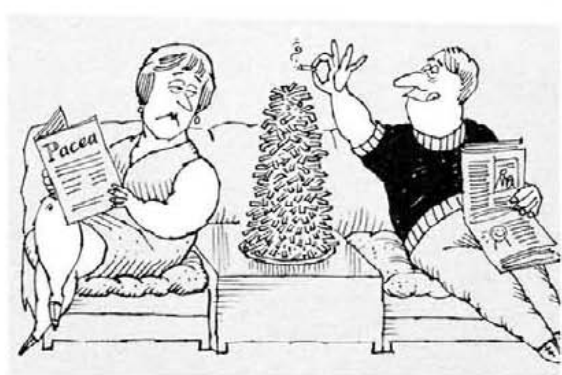
Don't you hate smokers who ...
... flick their ashes out windows of fast-moving cars when you're sitting in the rear seat!



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... affect phony smoking poses that are supposed to make them look smart and sophisticated!



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... bore you with the details of their experiences every time they attempted to give up smoking!

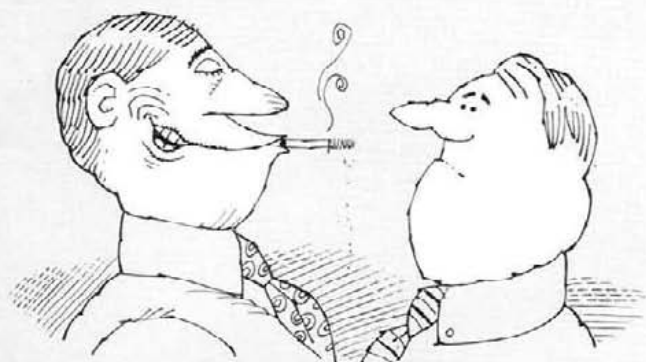


Don't you hate smokers who ...
... add yet another butt to a full ashtray without ever once thinking of emptying it!

better skip this article. Because it's calculated to make non-smoking MAD readers feel better by blowing off steam about people who, in addition to being addicted to the disgusting habit of smoking, also have disgusting smoking habits. Here, then, Gang, is...

OKERS HATE BOOK

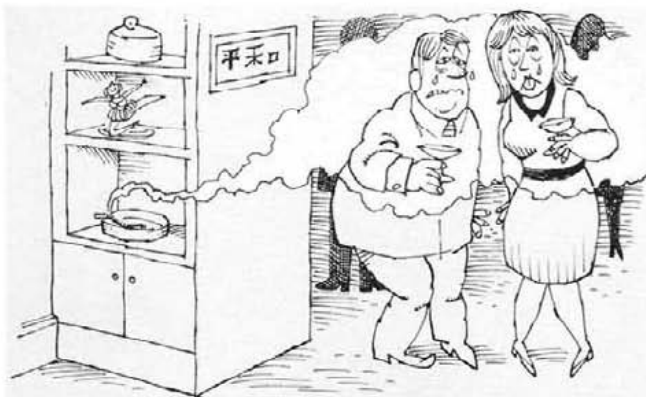
ARTIST & WRITER: AL JAFFEE



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... talk without ever removing their cigarette from their mouth!



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... never hit the ashtray no matter how big it is!



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... let their cigarettes burn out in ashtrays,
causing the nearest thing to a tear gas attack!



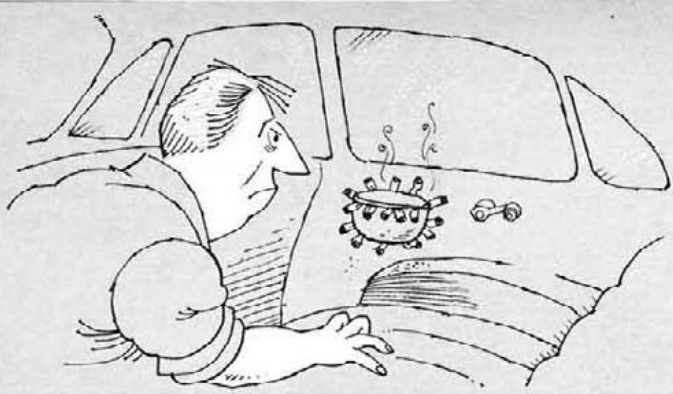
Don't you hate smokers who ...
... are cutting down on smoking by not carrying any,
but who smoke as much as ever by borrowing!



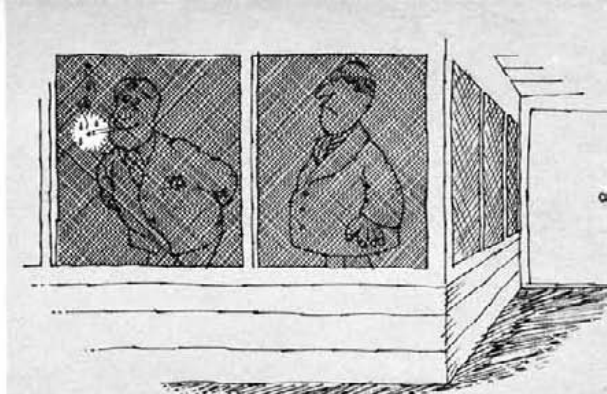
Don't you hate smokers who ...
... insist upon lighting up while visiting someone
who's in the hospital with a respiratory illness!



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... inflict their particular tastes in nauseating
pipe tobacco aromas on an entire gathering!



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... stuff auto ashtrays so full they're impossible to remove!



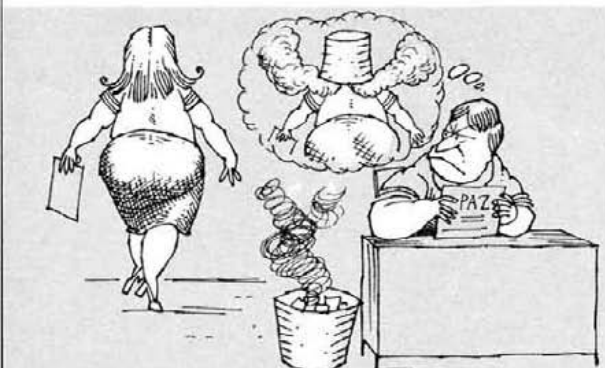
Don't you hate smokers who ...
... stupidly lean into plastic screens!



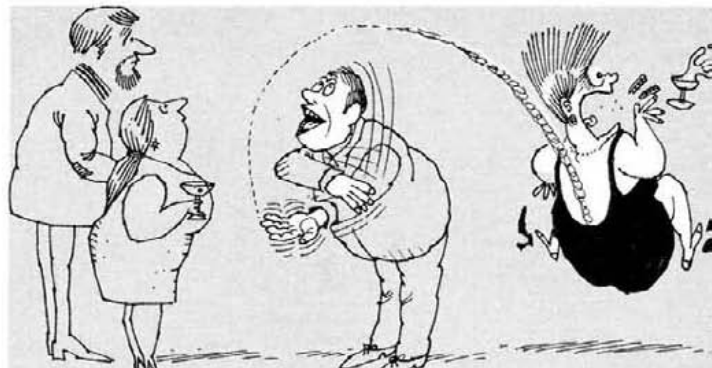
Don't you hate smokers who ...
... always have tobacco spittle running down their chins!



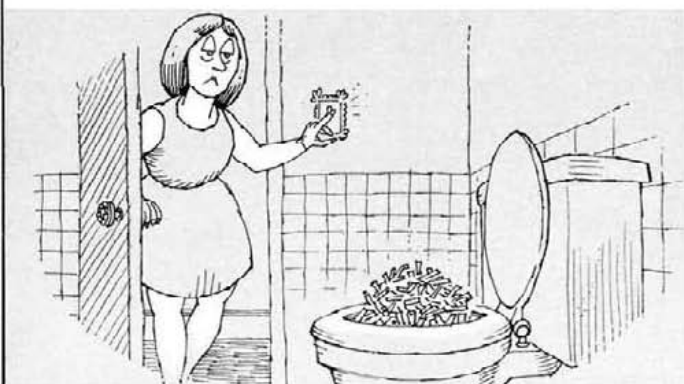
Don't you hate smokers who ...
... flick cigarette butts out windows!



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... throw butts that are still alive in wastebaskets!



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... do tricks with lighted cigarettes!



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... dump ashtrays in toilets!



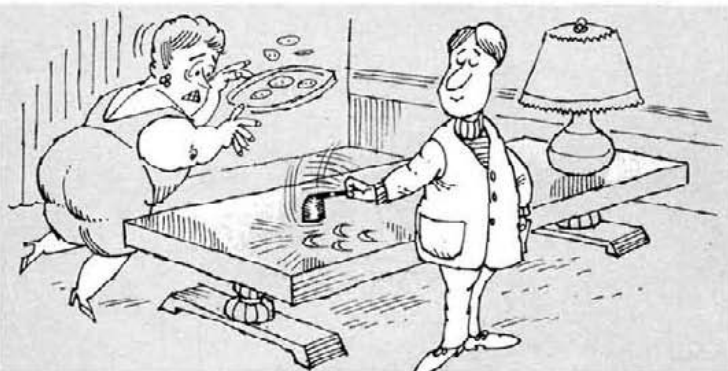
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... insist upon smoking in crowded places!



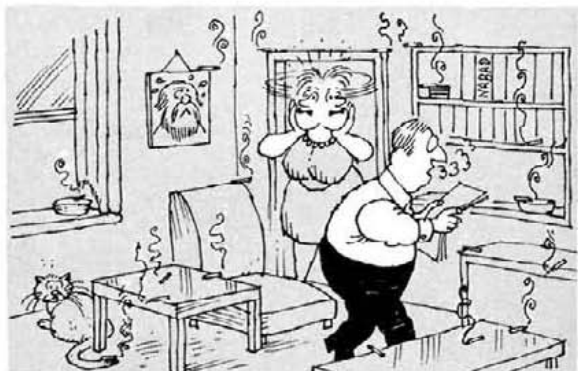
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... keep grinding out a butt till it's time to light another!



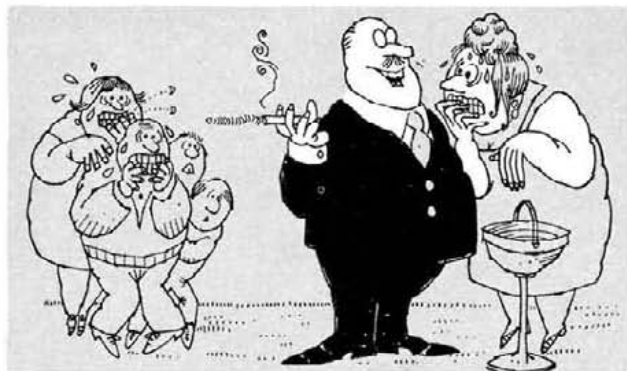
Don't you hate smokers who ...
... sneak smokes in "No Smoking" areas!



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... tap their pipes on any handy surface to clean them!



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... never remember where they leave burning cigarettes!



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... wait forever before flicking their ashes!



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... always say, "It's good for the rug!"



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... are dentists or doctors and work on you between puffs!



Don't you hate smokers who ...
... are constantly spitting out bits of tobacco!

MEDI-SCARE DEPT.

Hey, gang! Here we go again in our never-ending quest for new inspirations for Hollywood

NEW MOVIE MONSTERS

THEY CAME BY DAY . . . THEY CAME BY NIGHT . . .
DRAWING THE BLOOD FROM THEIR VICTIM'S VEINS!

*And when it came time to operate, they
put it all back . . . and charged for it!*

"THE BLOOD-TEST VAMPIRES"



Starring:

BLOODY John Artery George & Pipette
EBSEN VEIN CARNEY VESSEL LAURIE

THIS
PICTURE
IS RATED
O +

SEE THE UNSPEAKABLE BLOBS THAT
MADE WOMEN FAINT AT THEIR SIGHT
AND STRONG MEN'S STOMACHS TURN!

"THE HORRORS OF THE HOSPITAL DIET"



STARRING:

Elisha with Stew Steam Broil David Milton
COOK GRANGER McQUEEN IVES FRY & BOIL

"Horror Films". This time, MAD suggests that Producers of these bombs can create...

from the MEDICAL WORLD

ARTIST: JACK RICKARD

WRITER: E. NELSON BRIDWELL

WHY DID THE SADISTIC WHITE SPECTRE WAKE HIM
FROM A FITFUL SLEEP AT THE STROKE OF TWELVE?

WHAT AWFUL THINGS DID SHE FORCE HIM TO SWALLOW?

SEE THE NURSE, WITH HIS MEDICINE, SUBJECT HIM TO

"THE COLD HAND AT MIDNIGHT"



WHAT WAS IT THAT...

FRIGHTENED POLITICIANS—

TERRIFIED BUSINESSMEN—

PANICKED THE WHOLE A.M.A.?

IT WAS...

"THE MENACE OF MEDICARE!"



WITH

HY INCOME

DEE SEEVER

HARPO CONDRIAC

OLDEN SICK



as the Doctor
who padded
his claims

as the Nurse
who raised
her rates

as the Patient
who sponged off
the Government

as the Needy Man
caught in a tangle
of red tape

WHAT WAS
THE HORRIBLE
ICY TOUCH
THAT CHILLED
MEN'S HEARTS?



It was the
Stethoscope... in

"THE ORDEAL OF THE CHECK-UP"

WITH

Tapper KNEE ★ Prober GROIN ★ Poker GUTT ★ Phil D. GLANZ & Luke N. DeMOUTH

HE RANG AND RANG AND RANG! HE CRIED OUT
TIME AND TIME AND TIME AGAIN! BUT NO ONE
CAME! WHAT WAS THE AWFUL ANSWER TO...

"THE MYSTERY OF THE VANISHING NURSE"



WHAT WERE THESE STRANGE CONCOCTIONS? WHY DID THEY TASTE SO TERRIBLE... AND COST SO MUCH?
THEY WERE MEDICINES THAT GREW AND MULTIPLIED IN THE BATHROOM CABINET UNTIL THEY BECAME...

"THE THINGS IN THE BOTTLES"



STARRING:

PENNY SILLIN ★ TERRY MYSIN ★ AL K. SELTZER ★ DONNA GEL ★ LIZ TUREEN ★ ANNA SINN ★ KAY O'PECTATE ★ ABE ZORBEEN, JR. ★ SARAH TAN ★ JERRY TOLL ★ ROBERT TUSSIN ★ MEG NESIA ★ CORA SYDIN as Auntie Histamine

THIS
PICTURE
IS RATED

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FOWL PLAY DEPT.



MAJOR HAWKS

HAWKS & DOVES



ARTIST & WRITER: AL JAFFEE

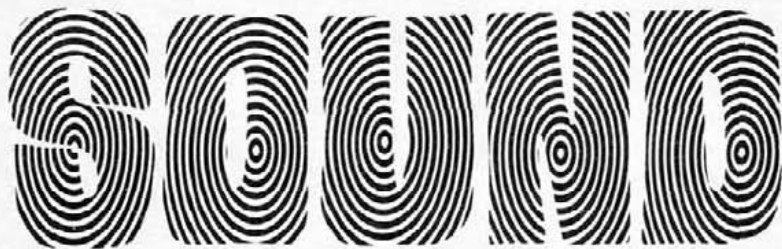


PRIVATE DOVES



Jaffee

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF...



EQUIPMENT

ARTIST & WRITER: DAVE BERG

That son of ours left his big, complicated Hi-Fi set on! I want to shut it off—but look at all the knobs and switches! How in heck do you do it??


Hah! Listen to the big leading member of the Women's Lib Movement asking her male chauvinist husband how to handle electronic equipment!



Your mouth may be going all the time, demanding equality with men—but, as you can see, you're not our equals when it comes to technology or complicated machinery!

Admit you're inferior in many areas, and I'll show you how simple it is!

Okay! Okay! I'm an inferior female! Now—show me how to shut the darn thing off!!

You pull out the plug!



That's not a radio!

That's a whiskey flask!

Oh, my goodness! What happened to you?


I... I just took a terrible beating! I—I was completely surrounded by FOUR of them! Two were hitting me from the front, and two from the rear!

Four big hoodlums?!

No... four big LOUDSPEAKERS!!

Our son just demonstrated the new stereo tape player he installed in his car!






Oh, boy! Oh, boy! It's snowing! That means my school will be closed an' I won't have to go!

Don't be so sure, smarty! Turn on the radio! If it IS closed, they announce it on the air!

Aw, that radio's been giving me nothing but trouble lately! Don't bother to turn it on! It hardly ever works!

It seems to be working fine!

... and despite the storm, all schools will be open today!

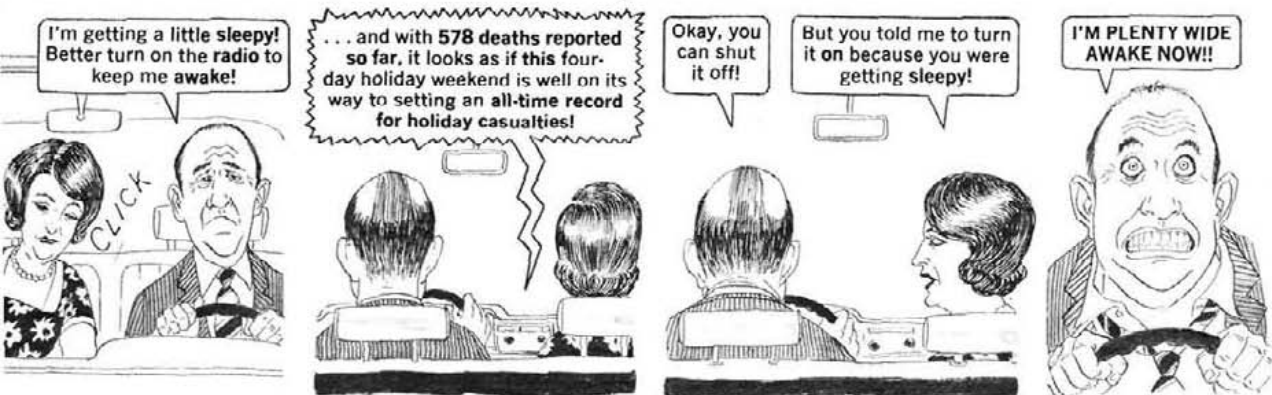
DARN!!

Okay, Buster! You heard it yourself! Now get dressed, and go to school!

See!? I told you that radio gives me nothing but trouble!!







A radio?! Are you still using that old "has-been"?! Like, get with it, Man! Radios are out!



Cassettes, Man! That's what's "in" today! Cassettes! Anybody who listens to a radio... with all those commercials and boring D. J.'s... has gotta be out of his ever-lovin' mind!



And you're in control, Man! You make your own program! You can get anything you want on a Cassette today!



Really? Can you get what I'm listening to...? Today's football game?!



Hi, Sidney! What's new?

This shortwave radio with international bands is new! I got it last month and I've been listening to broadcasts from all around the world! Boy... now I know plenty!



I know the Rugby scores in England! I know about air pollution in Japan! I know about the bad crops in India, and the typhoon damage in Thailand, and the drought in Australia!



So what else is new?

The house next door burned to the ground last week!



Really?! That I didn't know!



WILL YOU STOP TALKING SO LOUD?! I'M TRYING TO STUDY!



WILL YOU STOP VACUUMING SO LOUD?! I'M TRYING TO STUDY!



WILL YOU STOP PLAYING SO LOUD?! I'M TRYING TO STUDY!



WILL YOU STOP STUDYING SO LOUD?!!



Did you hear that News broadcast?! I tell you, the world is going mad! I'm sick with worry over what's happening today!



I know what you mean! I feel the same way when I listen to the radio!



I don't know what you guys are talking about! I'm not worried at all!



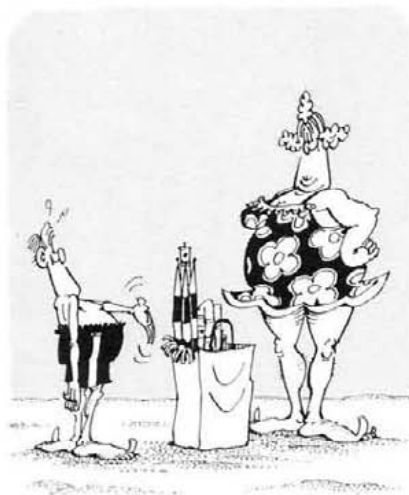
Y-YOU'RE NOT WORRIED?!? Listen—anybody who's not worried nowadays ought to have his head examined!!

Never mind his head!

First... he ought to have his RADIO examined!!



ONE AFTERNOON AT THE BEACH



MAD MINI-POSTER DEPT.

MAKE LOVE





...NOT WAR



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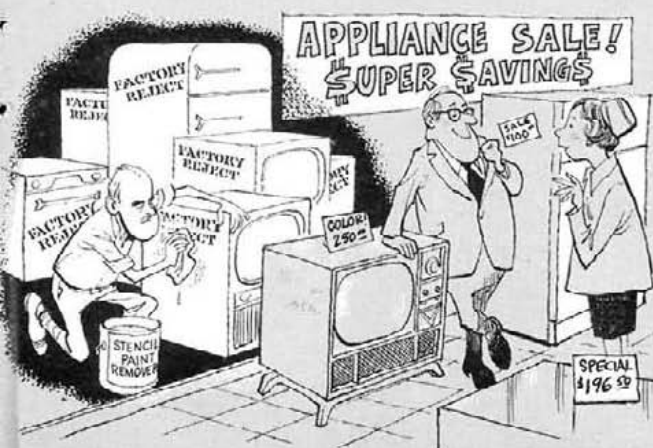
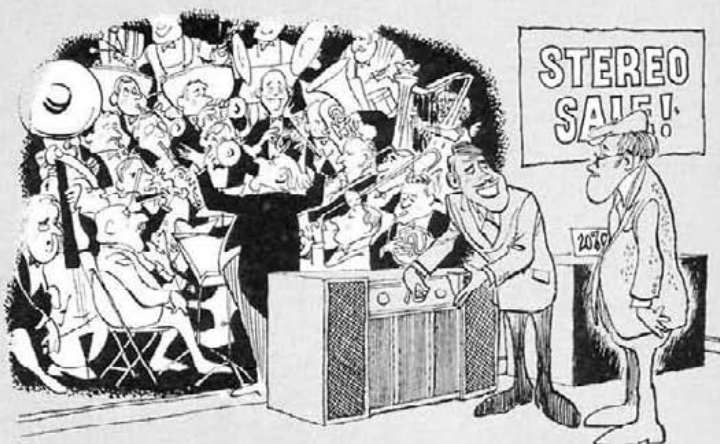
EVERYTHING'S COMING UP SUB ROSA DEPT.

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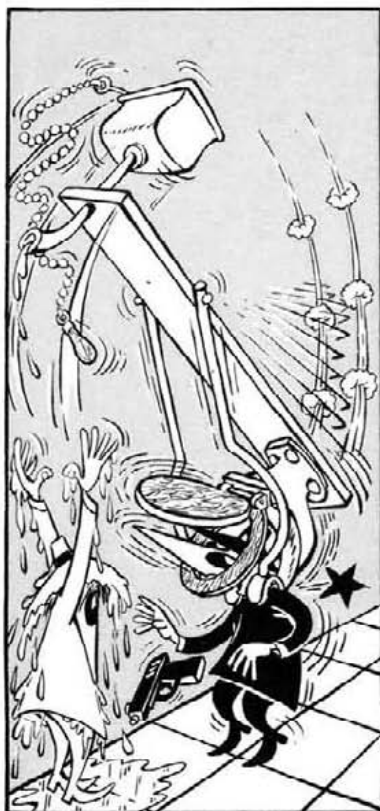
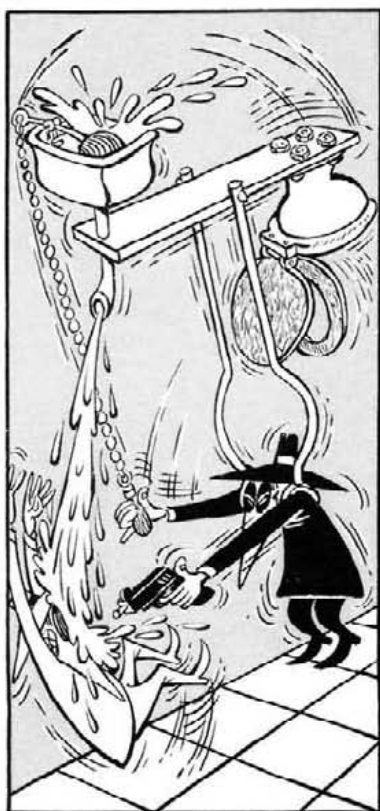
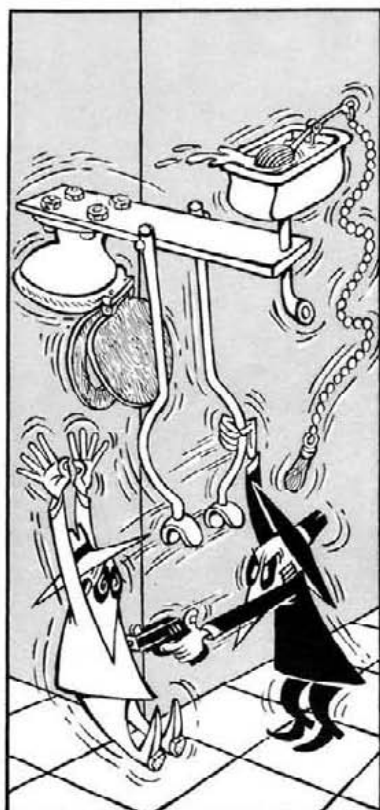
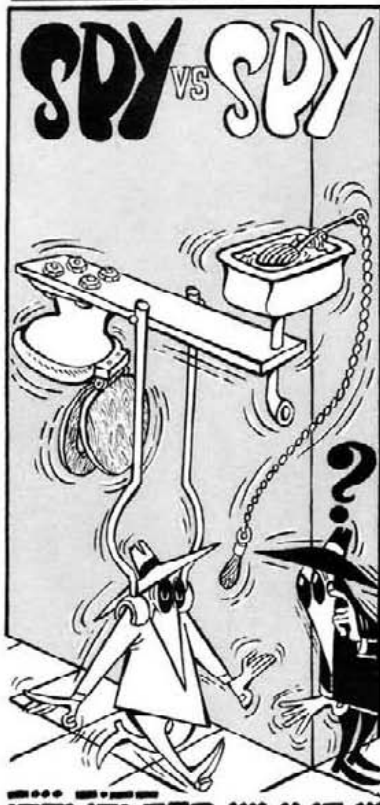
MAD



X-RAYVINGS



WRITER: DON EDWING



FORCED-FEDS DEPT.

From time to time, the F.B.I. has been severely criticized for the way it handles its affairs. However, in the series presented each week on television, the F.B.I. is depicted as handling matters in a way that would hardly even raise an eyebrow. Which is why we call our version of this show

THE F.I.B.*

**Editor's Note: One of the sponsors of this weekly TV series is a leading automobile manufacturer. From the subtle references and plugs they make throughout the show, see if you can guess which one.*

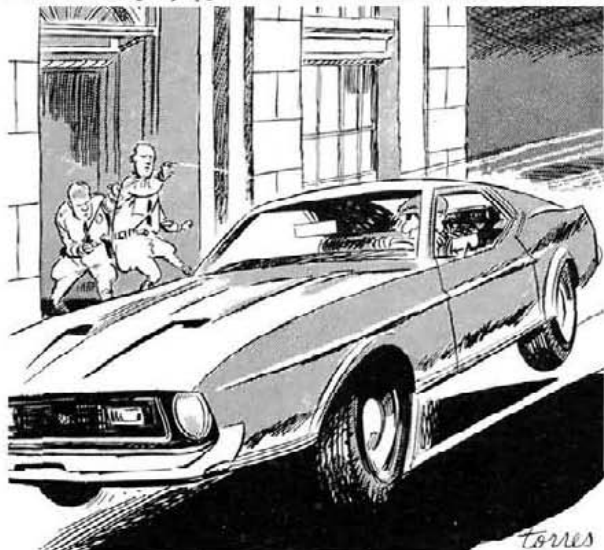
ARTIST: ANGELO TORRES

WRITER: DICK DE BARTOLO

"On October 19th, a man posing as wastepaper basket repairman gained access to the vault of the Last National Bank . . .



"He escaped from the scene of his crime in a sleek-looking Ford Mustang equipped with bucket seats and stick shift . . .



"The FIB was called in on the case because among the items missing from the vault were Federal Securities, Government Bonds, and a bunch of Mr. J. Edgar Hoover's trading stamps!



"FIB Inspector Lucas Oilyskin, along with Special Agent Tame Coldly and Special Guest Agent L.T.D. Thunderbird, following a few slim clues and several fat hunches, found the hide-out of the safe-cracker, who had returned to the scene of the crime and was living in the bank vault . . .



"The safe-cracker was apprehended, and also caught, and sentenced to 99 years in prison. However, his sentence was reduced to 6 months for having the good taste to use a Mustang as the get-away car. The case was closed and—"

Hold it! HOLD IT!! That blabbermouth Narrator has gone too far! I don't mind that every week he tells most of the story... but this time, he's told the whole thing!! We're two minutes into the show, and already he's through the Epilog! Now... can we please start again with another story!? And if that Narrator tells too much **THIS** time, I'll have him arrested for possessing an illegal mouth!



On December 17th, a young woman came into the Washington, D.C., Office and lodged a complaint that her boyfriend had run off with her diamonds. She was told *thmph—phmmph...*"

Okay! We'll take it from here!

Sorry, Miss! Unless it's an inter-State crime, the FIB can not intercede! Do you know what State your boyfriend is in now?

I imagine he's in a state of **ecstasy!** Those diamonds were worth a fortune!

Then he's **crossed State lines!** We'll take the case! Inspector Oilyskin! Would you come in here, please?



I just saw the strangest thing! There's a Ford parked outside!

So!! Ford is one of our sponsors! What's so unusual about seeing one parked outside?

Because **THIS** one is parked outside in your **WAITING ROOM!**

What?! If I told my staff once, I told 'em a thousand times... Don't leave cars in the waiting room! Park 'em in the lobby like I do!



Excuse me! Hello...? This is FIB Chief Authority Word speaking!

This call is to warn you that the students of Finster U. are going to burn down the School Library, wreck the New Studies Building, and blow up the Science and Computer Laboratory!

But... why are you doing this?

We're protesting violence on campus!!... **CLICK!!**

BEWARE OF SPIES BUGS TAPS AND THE CHIEF



Looks like we're gonna have some more campus destruction on our hands...

Should we get on it right away, Chief?

Don't be ridiculous! We have more important things to concern ourselves with! This lady, for example, has had her diamonds stolen!

And that's more important than campus unrest?!

Of course! This is "THE FIB," isn't it? Besides, our TV viewers see campus unrest every night on "The News"! Now a diamond robbery... that's different!

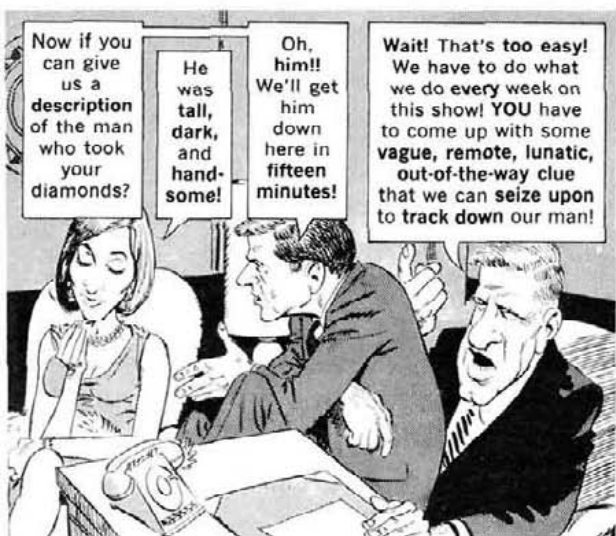


Inspector Oilyskin, meet Miss Jackie Paxton! Now, Miss Paxton... suppose you tell us your boyfriend's name?

Sweetheart! "Sweetheart" isn't a name! It's a term of endearment!

Well, that's what I called the bum!!







YAAHOO!

Say, this is more like it, huh, Luke?!

You said it, Coldy! A good car chase always gives me a lift when I'm depressed over a case!

LOOK OUT!! WE'RE SKIDDING!!

CRASH

Don't shoot! I give up! I surrender!!

What are you talking about?

Just let me get my black shoes and the diamonds I stole, and you can take me in!!

Luke! This is it! It finally happened! That lucky break we get every week!

Gee! Just in time, too! The show ends in four minutes!

Well! It's good to see you, Sweetheart!

It's nice seeing you, too, Darling!!

HMMMM

"And so, 'Sweetheart' was caught, convicted and sent to prison for 40 years! Jackie Paxton got her jewels back! And the men of the FIB went on to another case! This case involved an underworld counterfeit ring run by a man named Sidney Gwir—"

And now, I want to show you "The FIB's Ten Most Wanted Persons"!

First... we need a good Producer!

Then... we need a good Director!

And we could use one or two good Scriptwriters!

But what we REALLY need are ACTORS! **GOOD ACTORS!!**

You can't say I didn't warn him!

FIB
TEN MOST WANTED PERSONS

**BLAM
BLAM**

HUNG UP DEPT.

MODERN ART

Superb!



WRITTEN BY: MAX BRANDEL

Fantastic!

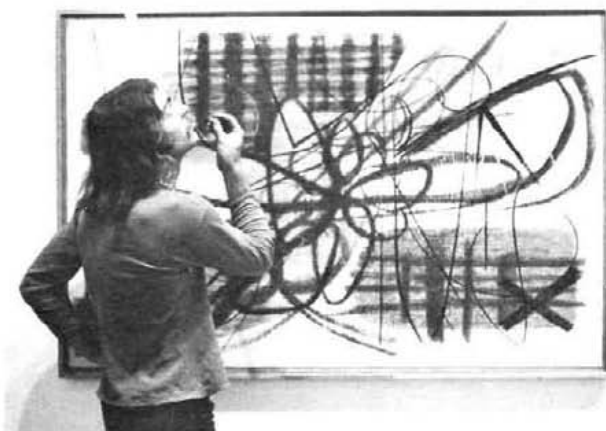


PHOTOGRAPHY: BY IRVING SCHILD

Magnificent!



Inspired!



Perfect!



I don't get it!



TV...AS VIEWED BY



A Crosseyed Rhino



A Rabid Dog



A Bug In A Rug



A Newborn Calf



A Baby Kangaroo



An Amused Ant

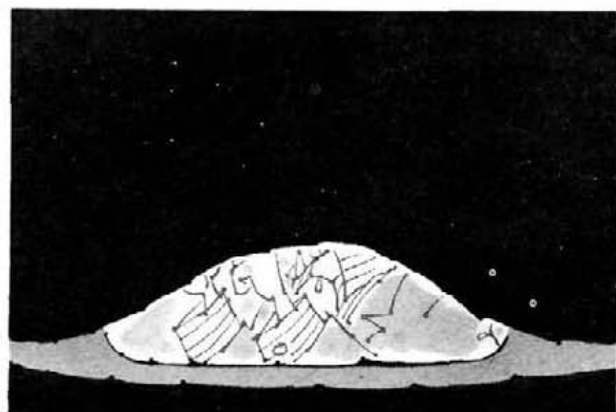




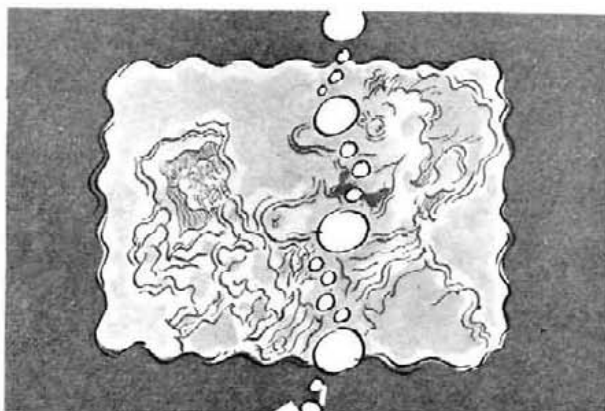
THE ANIMAL WORLD

ARTIST:
PAUL COKER, JR.

WRITER:
PAUL PETER FORGES



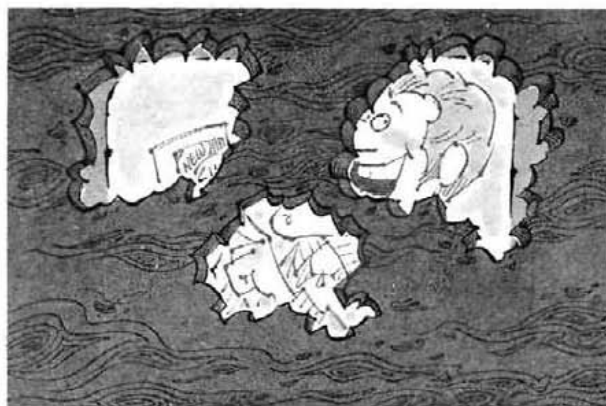
An Introverted Turtle



A Hiccuping Goldfish



A Housebroken Giraffe



A Curious Termite



A Bored Bat



A Compulsive Canary

INSIDE-OUCH DEPT.

Okay, gang, here we go again with another visit behind the scenes of an American institution

A MAD PEEK BEHIND

ARTIST: JACK DAVIS



Why are they destroying their instruments?

They're finishing up a recording session, and it's much easier than carrying them home!

I don't get it! Why are they all facing the wall while they play?

They forgot their arrangements, so they're playing the wallpaper!

Boy, those guys play loud!

I know! The people next door complain all the time!

What's next door? The Cemetery!

Like, I gotta do my number! Dig? Like, I gotta get onto it 'cause that's where it's at! Dig? Like, it's a down, but I gotta make it! You dig?

I dig! It's the third door! The one marked "MEN"!

The "Orange Peels" are rehearsing in Studio "C", and I think they blew the fuses! All of their amplifiers and speakers, and all the lights just went out in there!

Well, don't tell them! They'll never notice!

Now, this carton of tapes goes into the garbage! And that carton of tapes goes to the plant to be pressed into records!

What if he makes a mistake and throws THAT carton into the garbage and sends THIS carton to the plant? Nobody'll ever know!!

Hey, which one of you guys ordered the cream cheese, peanut butter, salami, sardine, yogurt and pickled pigs feet with Russian dressing sandwich on a hard roll?

I did! Are you gonna eat that?

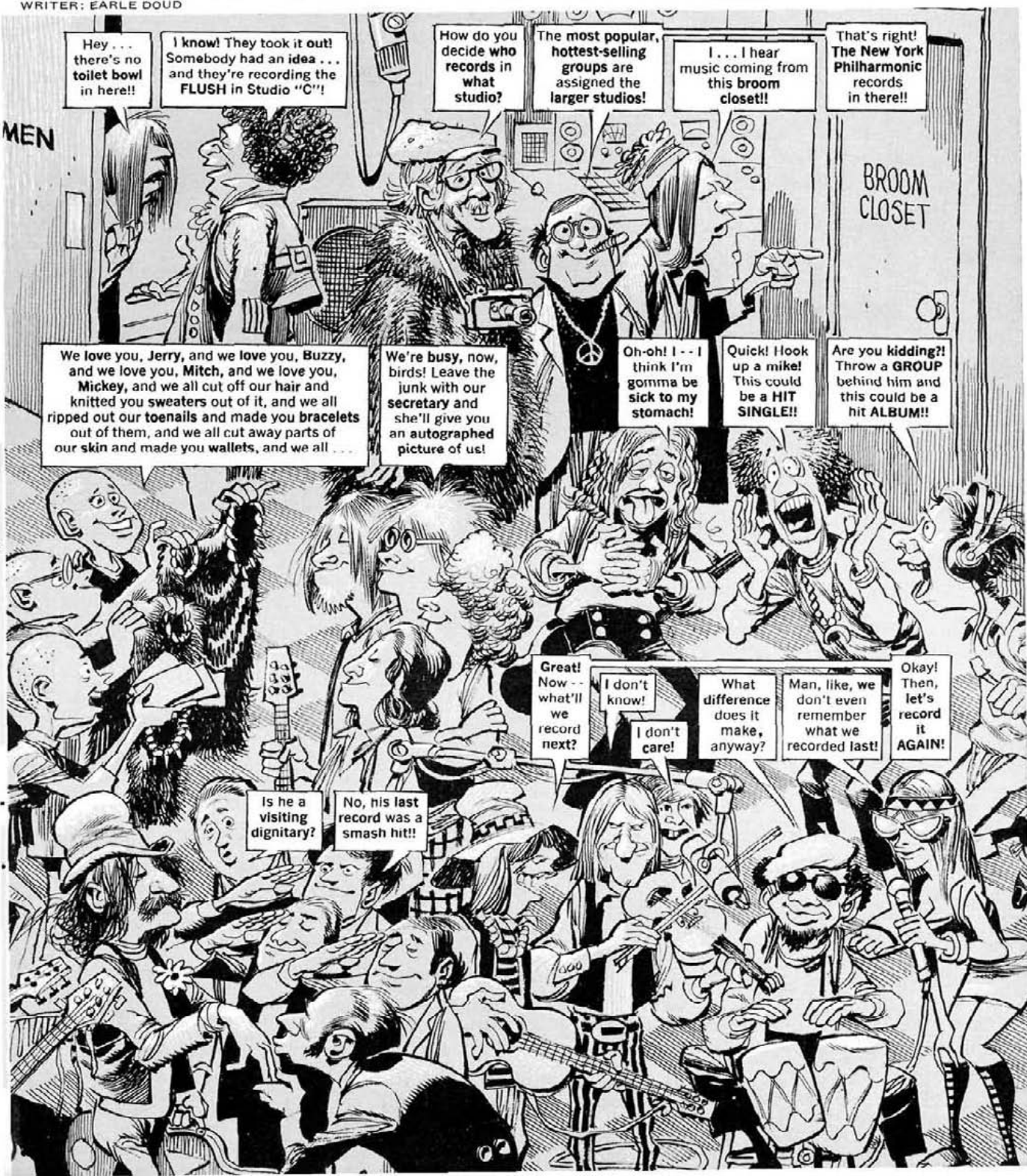
Man, you crazy! I'm gonna PLAY it!



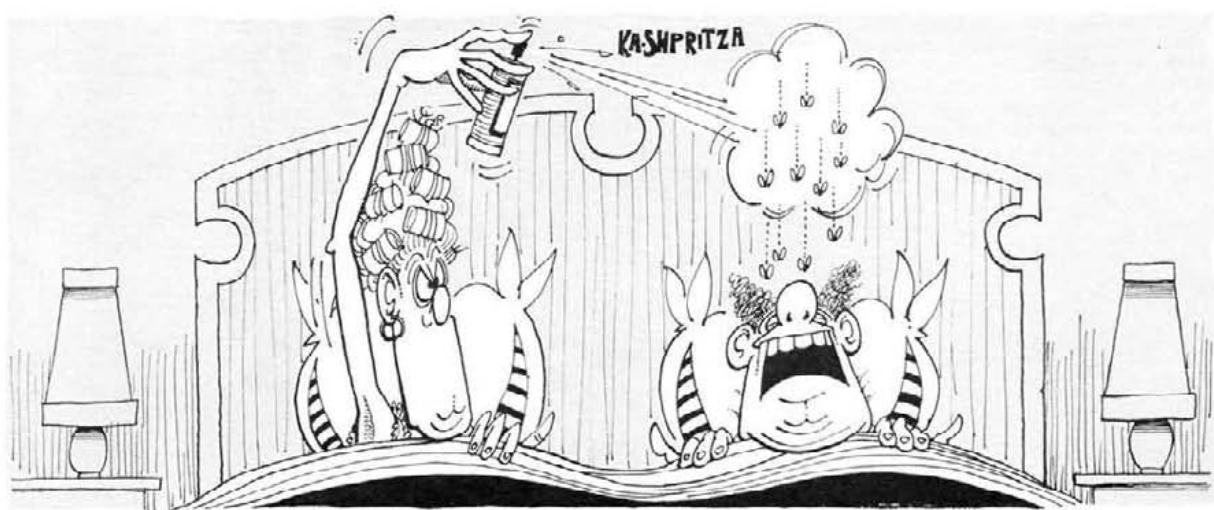
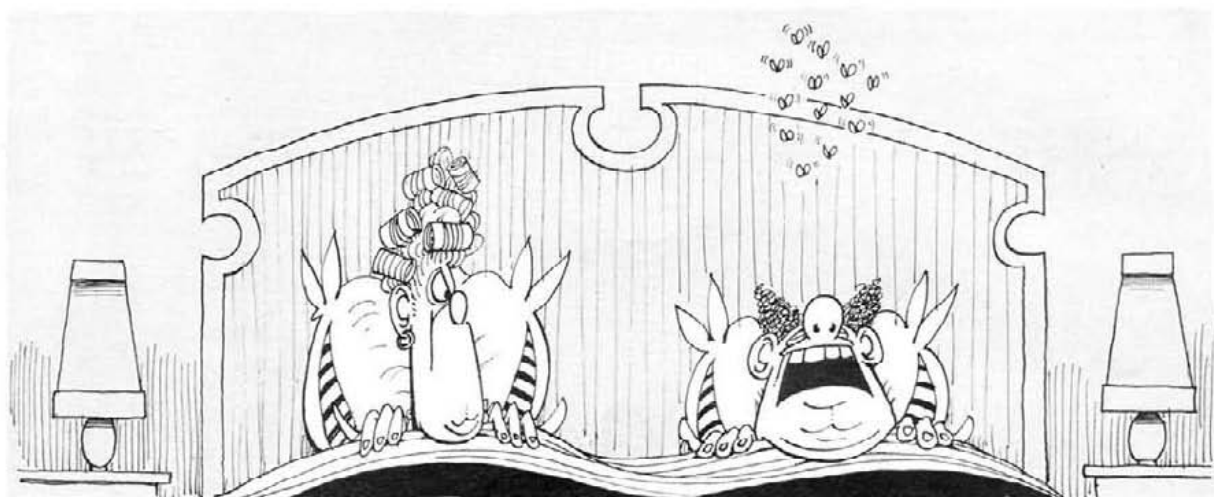
to discover what new and inventive ways we the people are being shafted. Won't you join us for

THE SCENES

WRITER: EARLE DOUD



ONE HOT SUMMER MORNING





It figures! When man becomes confused at the irrationality of the world around him, he looks for meaning, purpose and reason in areas that are often more confusing than the irrationality of the world around him. Don't bother to figure that one out, just read MAD's version of a magazine dedicated to mysticism, and the "Gypsy" in all of us...

INCREDIBLE OCCULT MAGAZINE

DECEMBER
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Cross Our
Palm With
SILVER

The Reincarnation Of
CHARLES DICKENS
Picks Up Our Garbage

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*How The 1965
Venus-Neptune
Conjunction
Ruined My Son's
Bar Mitzvah*

☆☆☆

Palmistry And YOU:

Does Suicide Affect
The Lifeline?

☆☆☆

*My Life As A
Smith-Corona Portable
In Nutley, New Jersey*

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Poltergeists Make
Lousy Lovers

☆☆☆

*Do The Ancients
Communicate With Us
Through Ed Sullivan?*

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*How I Drove My
Power Mower To
Anchorage, Alaska
In A Post-Hypnotic
Trance*

Combining Astral Digest, Ectoplasm Age,
and The Saturday Evening Post



SPECIAL:

*A Sneak Preview Of
The Rebirth Of
Attila The Hun*

Pick up these latest

SOUND WAVES from SEANCE RECORDS



Dear Omar:

According to my horoscope, the entrance of Neptune into Capricorn last year meant it was a good time for investment.

So I poured my life savings into an oil stock which turned out to be phony and I lost every penny, not to mention my car and house. How do you explain this?

N.M.
Wurtsboro, N.Y.

Dear N.M.

Oh, that rascal Neptune! How this naughty planet loves a practical joke! Don't worry, N.M., Neptune always evens things out, and will probably make it up to you when it enters Capricorn next trip around in 2134!

Dear Omar:

I am a Gemini with Uranus in my ninth house, Mercury in my fourth house, and Mars in my first house. What shall I do?

A.K.
Encino, Cal.

Dear A.K.

Move into an apartment.

Dear Omar:

I am a professor of astrophysics at M.I.T. and for 16 years have studied astrology from every aspect. I have concluded that there is absolutely no scientific basis for belief in the movements of the stars and planets.

T.S.
Boston, Mass.

Dear T.S.

Such hare-brained views can seriously mar the efforts of dedicated occultists. The editors of this magazine join me in urging our readers to pay no attention to fuzzy-minded intellectual nuts like yourself. If M.I.T. wasn't a Libra, I'd really fix your wagon!

Dear Omar:

I am a Virgo who is thinking of taking a walk around the block. I never do anything without first checking it out on my chart, but I see no mention of strolling. When is the best time for me to undertake such a venture?

J.D.
Jersey City, N.J.

Dear J.D.

This, of course, depends upon the opposition of Jupiter to Venus. As of last week, they still weren't speaking, so I'm afraid that my answer must be an unqualified "Maybe."

Dear Omar:

Is it true that two people born under the same sign share similar personalities, beliefs, and outlooks?

A.B.F.
Candlewood Lake, Conn.

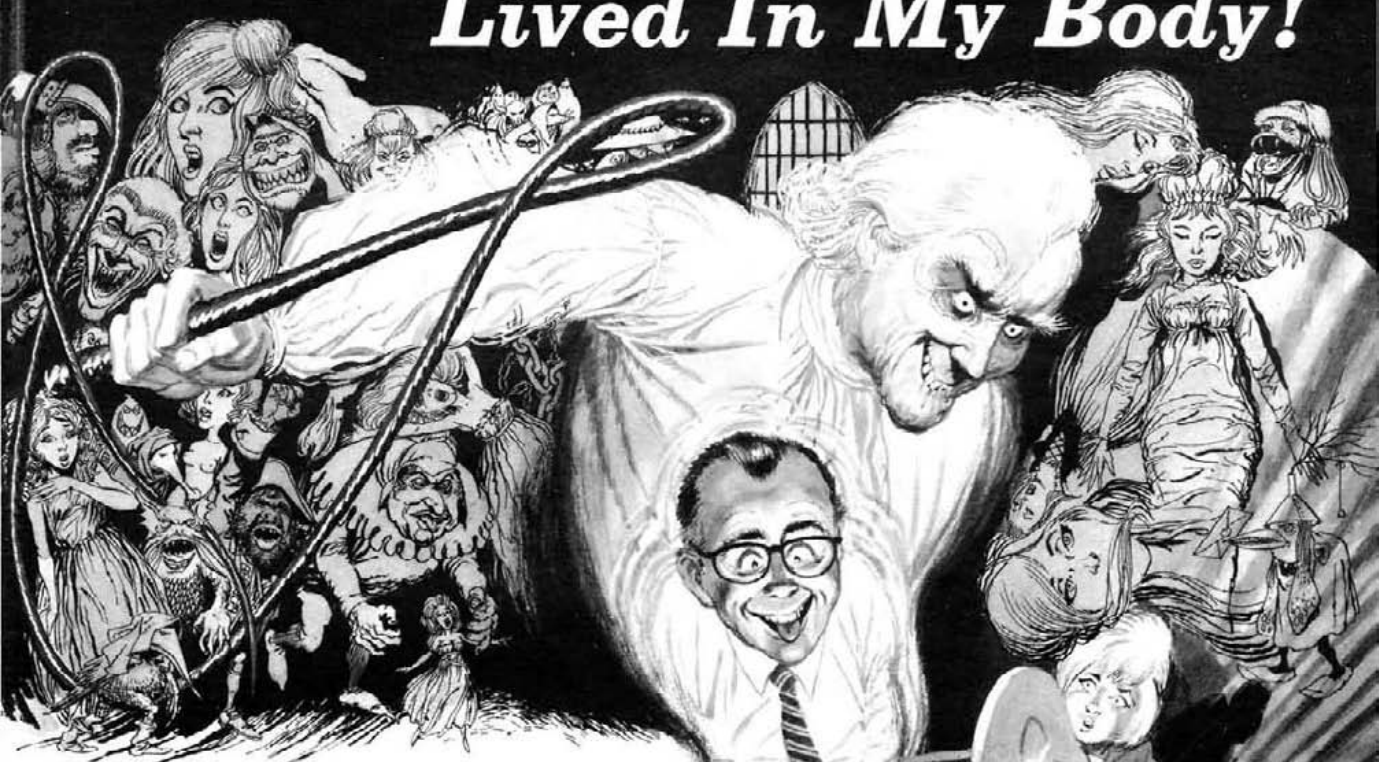
Dear A.B.F.

Yes, absolutely. The following chart will show the marked similarities found in people born under the same sign...

AQUARIUS	
William Tecumseh Sherman (Jan. 21)	"Stonewall" Jackson (Feb. 8)
PISCES	
Liz Taylor (Feb. 27)	Pat Nixon (Feb. 9)
ARIES	
Eugene McCarthy (March 29)	Gen. William Westmoreland (March 26)
TAURUS	
Dr. Spock (May 2)	Mayer Daley (May 15)
GEMINI	
Guy Lombardo (June 19)	Paul McCartney (June 18)
CANCER	
Phyllis Diller (July 17)	Gina Lollobrigida (July 4)
LEO	
George Bernard Shaw (July 26)	Casey Stengel (July 30)
VIRGO	
Sophia Loren (Sept. 20)	Twiggy (Sept. 19)
LIBRA	
Truman Capote (Sept. 30)	Mickey Mantle (Oct. 20)
SCORPIO	
Chiang kai-Shek (Oct. 31)	Mao tse-Tung (Nov. 19)
SAGITTARIUS	
William F. Buckley (Nov. 24)	Abbie Hoffman (Nov. 30)
CAPRICORN	
Joan Baez (Jan. 9)	Barry Goldwater (Jan. 1)

On sale now at your local
Occult Record Center

The Marquis de Sade Lived In My Body!



An Incredible Occult True-Life Experience
by Morton Fenster

It all started out as a regular seance that night back in 1968. Already we'd chatted with the spirits of Paul Revere, Woodrow Wilson, and Harvey Schmeer, a lately deceased third cousin of mine in Denver who'd died owing me twenty-three dollars. Then, suddenly, a chill swept across the room. The table turned sideways in mid-air, and I knew at that moment that the MARQUIS DE SADE WAS RIGHT THERE IN THE ROOM WITH US! I could feel his powerful presence getting stronger and stronger until at last his murky, menacing spirit closed in and TOOK OVER MY BODY! The women screamed! The men gasped! I belched! There was no doubt about it—I had become the Marquis de Sade! Without warning, I was seized by dark, sinister passions. I embarked on a wild, violent reign of unbridled lust and weird, unnatural cravings. I ran the gamut of sexual fetishes, sensual perversions, deviated septums, and other degenerate pastimes too lurid to think about, let alone list!

For six incredible hours it lasted—my will yielding in every lascivious way to his every sadistic pleasure. I struggled to break free, and finally rallied the forces of my own strong moral fiber and righteous indignation to scream:

"Go away, Marquis! GO AWAY!"

And suddenly, as quickly as he came, he was gone. I was possessed no more! I was no longer the Marquis de Sade;

I was Morton Fenster! No longer a creature of lust craving every carnal pleasure; but a balding tax accountant living with my wife and three kids in Muncie, Indiana. And suddenly I found myself screaming:

"Come back, Marquis! COME BACK!"

But it was too late. The Marquis had (Cont. on page 57)

INCREDIBLE OCCULT CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE

Slightly used crystal ball. Barely gazed at. Used only for an hour each Sunday by a 78-year-old widow schoolteacher to talk to her departed husband. Best offer takes. Box 703

PERSONAL

Want to talk with God? Call Me collect. (819) 993-4909

Okay, Brutus! I know you're reincarnated out there somewhere! Be a man for once and let's have it out—just you and me! Don't bring your friends! Write to me: J. Caesar, c/o Schwartz, 41 Elm, Oakville, Kansas

Milton, my only begotten son, Mars is in Libra, Saturn is in Pisces, and you still want to marry that fortune-hunting slut from Dallas! Heed the stars before I have a heart attack! And wear your galoshes. Mother

I am the reincarnation of Hokay, the 12th High Priestess of the Fallons, a civilization vanished into the Indian Ocean. I would like to meet a nice Albuquerque dentist. Box 252

WANTED TO TRADE

Will swap a 12th century Ethiopian poltergeist with a sinus condition for two decks of Tarot cards. Box 5

FOR RENT

Will supply sleep-in apparitions, poltergeists, etc., for haunting. Send for list of satisfied customers, rate scale, particulars. Apparitions Unlimited, Box 32

GUIDANCE SOUGHT

Would appreciate some occultist telling me why my Ouija board spells only four-letter words. Philip Roth, Box 96

BLACK MAGIC

Possessed by Demons? Plagued by Evil Spirits? You need CURSE-OFF, the new miracle curse remover in the aerosol can. Fight old curses the modern way for only \$4.98. CURSE-OFF, Box 13, Wingbat, Ohio

Pestered by obnoxious neighbors? A mean boss? A nagging wife? You need CURSE-ON, the new miracle curse invoker in the aerosol can. Apply new curses the modern way for only \$4.98. CURSE-ON, Box 711, Wingbat, Ohio

You are reading this ad. You are absorbing its meaning. You are putting a ten-dollar bill in an envelope and mailing it to Zarkov the Hypnotist, Box 414.

the occult grapevine

Mystic Meanderings for the Cosmic Community by Claire Voyant

It's all over with Jomar and Zelda Mishkin (she's the medium). Seems Jomar didn't approve of the week-end Zelda spent in Cleveland with Benjamin Franklin (that D.O.M.)... A hearty "Welcome back" to Pittsburgh mystic Brahma Bregstein who's home after spending a well earned vacation visiting friends in 1981... Vibrate your cosmic condolences to these ill-starred occultists: To karma victim Mauve Muncrief, an Aquarius-Pisces cusp who lost her court battle to legally change her sign; and to Automatic-Writing Wizard Lance Wickwire, who is serving two years in prison for writing John Paul Getty's name on checks while in a trance.

A tip of the psychic hat to super-seer Joshua Freen for correctly predicting the date of his rebirth... Numerologists Eric Omicron and Seth Sholtar are still exchanging death curses. The feud flared up when Seth accused Eric of trying to 18 his 46... Baltimore occultists are giving the cold-shoulder treatment to Tea-Leaf Reader Phaedra Dinwiddie. Seems she undercharged a customer, then compounded her goof by predicting a piece of bad news... Lincoln, Nebraska's own Abner Meerchaum has become the first Earthling to ride in the new "Jumbo" flying saucer. "There's a lot more room," says Meerchaum, "and it gets you to Orion in half the time despite the fact that we had to circle Betelgeuse Airport for more than a lightyear."



After feuding for fifteen years, rival occultists Orion O'Ryan (left) and Booker Bokar flipped a coin to settle once and for all who was the true reincarnation of Napoleon. Bokar lost and is now seeking the cosmic rights to Alexander the Great.



Sorcerer Presto Pollack has moved back in with his wife after a 6 month separation. Presto solved his domestic problems by turning his mother-in-law into a Beagle.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW DEPT: Casiopeia Waxrush, first mystic to prove that hamsters meditate, is now a Rosicrucian recruiter in Milwaukee... Draco Donnelly, who 20 years ago discovered William Shakespeare's ghost in a Kansas City Super-market, is now a door-to-door mandala-mender in Santa Barbara... Capella Calhoun, the former Miss Demon-Worship of 1949, runs a boarding house for retired apparitions in West Orange, N.J.

BIRTH NOTES: It's a boy for Madam Myra the Medium. The father is most likely Jacques Casanova... It's a future automobile salesman who'll marry an airline stewardess and settle down in Altoona for prophet Lee Lumbar and his lovely wife Lulu.

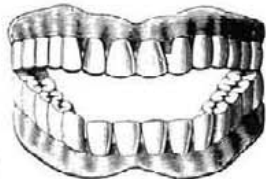
Occult insiders expect Vulcan Freen to walk off with the "Sorcerer-of-the-Year" Award. Vulcan won plaudits for his recent conjuring in a New York City restaurant when he actually made a waiter materialize... LOOK ALIKES DEPT: Quandra Muldoon, authoress of "How To Win At Tarot Cards," and Satan.

HOW ABOUT THAT? DEPT: During the recent favorable Venus-Saturn conjunction, Astrologer Mandrake Meerchaum was wiped out in the stock market, broke both legs in a Yoga experiment, and lost his home in a four-alarm fire. Undaunted, Mandrake will sue the Solar System.

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THE SEVENTH CHURCH OF OOG



Headquartered in an abandoned comfort station in beautiful downtown Fresno, The CHURCH OF OOG believes in the divinity of the earlobe. Members meditate alternate Thursdays wearing see-through shrouds of luminous Mediterranean algae.

THE SHRINE OF JOE PEPTONE



This cult possesses divine proof that the spirit of Joe Pepitone lives in six-year-old Francie Gretzer of Morgantown, West Virginia. Bi-weekly seances are conducted by an Appalachian Poltergeist named Floyd.

THE VIBRATORY SYNOD



These cultists have uncovered a set of Atlantean stone obelisks which give off vibrations corresponding to each member's Zip Code number. On their high holy days, members all prostrate themselves before a giant locust idol made of styrofoam.

GLUB



This spiritual group gets its name from the last word spoken by the prophet Leonard when he was drowned in a vat of rose-water by Satan. Fellow cultists exorcise sin by flogging each other with rutabaga leaves.

KARMA-BY-THE-SEA, CALIFORNIA

Yay! I want to enroll in your club. I enclose \$25.00 plus twelve drops of my blood arranged in a semi-circle on a parchment of rotting moleskin. I understand that for every 3 cults I join, I get to form a fourth cult, absolutely free. I may terminate membership at any time after accepting three choices if I dare!

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Age _____

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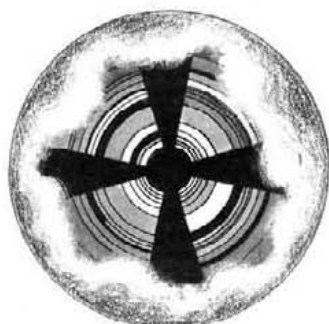


YOU AND YOUR CRYSTAL BALL

by Minerva, the Medium Rare

THIS MONTH: Gazing At a Departed Loved One

GETTING AN IMAGE



As in most cases, the first images to appear are hazy and cloud-like. They will gradually transform into a more definite pattern as you concentrate.



Focus your eyes on the diffused shapes, your mind on the spirit of a departed loved one. You'll sense, subtly at first, his presence about to materialize.



As the shapes take definite form, do not act surprised or shocked if he appears unrepresentable. After all, he probably wasn't expecting company!

CORRECTING A FAULTY IMAGE



"Rear projectory" is a common mistake of the novice gazer and can be easily rectified by turning the ball around. You're facing the wrong side, dummy!



A "split image" is the result of your concentrating on two departed loved ones at the same time. Don't be greedy—remove one of them from your thoughts!



Should you contact *someone else's* Uncle Max by mistake, apologize and the image will leave. Notify your Cosmos Supervisor so you won't be charged for the recall.

COMMON GAZING PROBLEMS



The situation above illustrates a simple case of *bad timing*. The problem is that your Uncle Max is currently appearing in the crystal ball of one of your relatives.



Even *worse timing*! Your Uncle Max has reincarnated as a goat in the mountains of Bulgaria. Don't waste time contacting him—he's even less coherent than before!



Interference is usually caused by a faulty psychic transmitter, jamming by a jealous poltergeist, or cosmic overload (there's a lot of it going around).

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12 Psychic Predictions for the Next 12 Months*

<p>1</p> <p>President Nixon and the U.S. Senate will clash over a bill that affects a vital sector of the nation!</p>		<p>7</p> <p>The value of the American Dollar, the British Pound, and the West German Mark will affect the economies of three Western nations!</p>	
<p>2</p> <p>An important official in a populous state will be accused of having Mafia connections!</p>		<p>8</p> <p>A hitherto unknown rock group will experience a sharp rise in popularity!</p>	
<p>3</p> <p>Student unrest will plague a large American University!</p>		<p>9</p> <p>Spiro Agnew will make a highly publicized speech which will be criticized sharply by many factions!</p>	
<p>4</p> <p>The Stock Market will show a reaction to a change in the nation's economy!</p>		<p>10</p> <p>Raquel Welch will be featured in several magazine photo essays!</p>	
<p>5</p> <p>The conflict in the Far East will enter a critical period which will foreshadow the end of the beginning of a phase that will lead to an end to aggression!</p>		<p>11</p> <p>A key labor union in a major industry will threaten a strike which will cause concern among business leaders!</p>	
<p>6</p> <p>Elizabeth Taylor will be faced with an important personal decision!</p>		<p>12</p> <p>A highly paid baseball pitcher will fail to equal his previous year's record!</p>	

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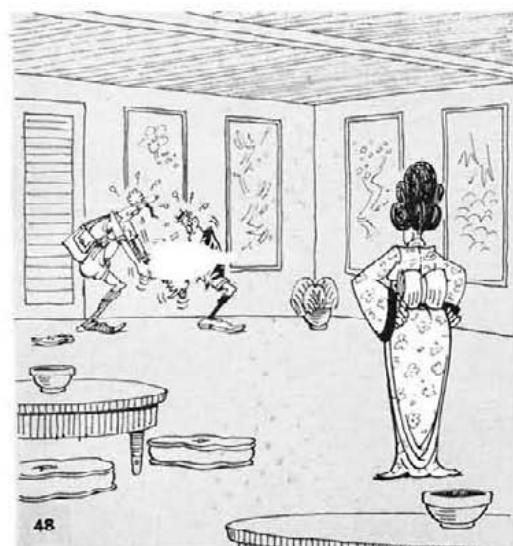
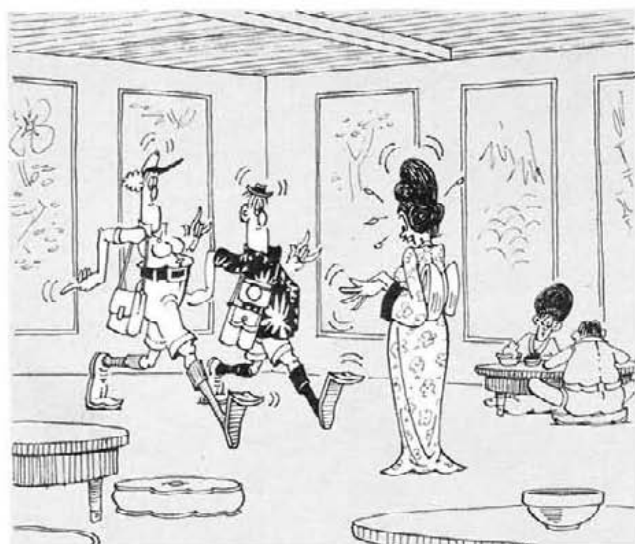
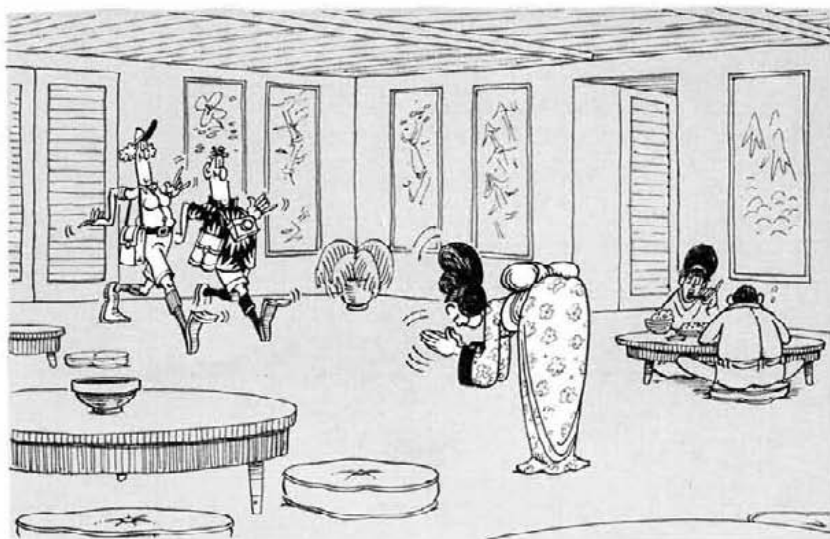
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HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER REVOLTING **MAD FOLD-IN**

In modern warfare, hazardous situations are commonplace. But lately, many of our American servicemen are exposing themselves to new and unnecessary dangers. To find out what these often fatal skirmishes are, fold in the page.



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TRIFLING WITH DEATH VOLUNTARILY—THE CREEPS**

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A SCENE WE'D HATE TO SEE

THE MORNING DELIVERY

